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DEMINERALIZED BONE MATRIX AND VARIOUS SITE-REACTIVE
POLYMERS FOR USE IN THE INDUCTION OF BONE AND CARTILAGE
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In response to the Official Action of 10 July 2008, wherein the Examiner has requested an election of claims, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute in the present application the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 51, 52, 55-58, 63, 67 and 81-98 drawn to a composition. Applicants understand that, upon allowance of the composition claims, Applicants would be entitled to rejoinder of method or other claims that depend from or otherwise contain all of the limitations of an allowable composition claim (see MPEP 821.04).

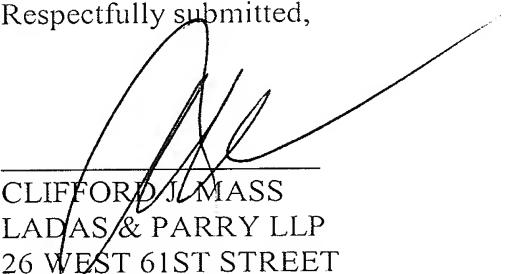
With respect to the requirement in the claims for an election of species, Applicants hereby elect the species as follows:

- (i) Biomolecules: Growth factors; and
- (ii) Reactive Groups: double-bond containing active groups.

All of the elected claims are believed to read on the elected species.

In view of the above, Applicants have responded completely to the requirements in the aforementioned Official Action, and now respectfully request an early examination on the merits of at least the elected subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,


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